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Prior to examination of the above-identified application and in accordance with Rule 115 of the Rules of Practice, please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: (1) a Transmittal of Formal Drawing; (2) Formal Drawing (1 sheet, Figure 1); (3) a copy of the Sequence Listing on paper; (4) and Information Disclosure Statement; and (5) a List of References Cited by Applicant listing references AA-BX.

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